

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A sandal comprising:

5 a footbed having an upper support surface, a bottom sole and a central portion therebetween;

an upper interconnected with the footbed for retaining the sandal on a foot;

10 a plurality of drainage apertures formed in the upper support surface of the footbed;

a plurality of vertical drainage channels extending from the drainage apertures into the central portion of the footbed; and

15 a plurality of horizontal drainage channels within the central portion of the footbed extending from the vertical drainage channels to exit apertures about a peripheral edge of the sandal.

2. The sandal of claim 1, further comprising two forward vertical drainage channels
20 extending from two forward apertures in the upper support surface to a forward horizontal drainage channel extending from a medial side to a lateral side of the peripheral edge of the sandal.

3. The sandal of claim 2, further comprising two midsole vertical drainage channels extending from two midsole apertures in the upper support surface to a midsole horizontal drainage channel extending from a medial side to a lateral side of the peripheral edge of the sandal.

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4. The sandal of claim 3, further comprising two heel vertical drainage channels extending from two heel apertures in the upper support surface to a heel horizontal drainage channel extending from a medial side to a lateral side of the peripheral edge of the sandal.

10 5. The sandal of claim 4, further comprising a rear vertical drainage channel extending from a rear aperture in the upper support surface to a rear horizontal drainage channel extending to the back portion of the peripheral edge of the sandal.

15 6. The sandal of claim 1, wherein each drainage aperture has a single vertical drainage channel connected to a dedicated horizontal drainage channel.

7. The sandal of claim 6, further comprising two forward vertical drainage channels extending from two forward apertures in the upper support surface to two forward horizontal drainage channels, each of the forward horizontal drainage channels extending from a forward vertical drainage channel to the peripheral edge of the sandal.

20 8. The sandal of claim 7, further comprising two midsole vertical drainage channels extending from two midsole apertures in the upper support surface to two midsole horizontal

drainage channels, each of the midsole horizontal drainage channels extending from a midsole vertical drainage channel to the peripheral edge of the sandal.

9. The sandal of claim 8, further comprising two heel vertical drainage channels extending
5 from two heel apertures in the upper support surface to two heel horizontal drainage channels,
each of the heel horizontal drainage channels extending from a heel vertical drainage channel to
the peripheral edge of the sandal.

10. The sandal of claim 9, further comprising a rear vertical drainage channel extending from
10 a rear aperture in the upper support surface to a rear horizontal drainage channel extending to the
back portion of the peripheral edge of the sandal.

11. The sandal of claim 1, wherein the upper comprises a strap.

15 12. The sandal of claim 11, further comprising a thong extending between the footbed and
the strap.